

## **FISCAL NOTE**

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate  
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 4, 1996

SUBJECT: **HB 2094 - SB 2417**

This bill, if enacted, will decrease the penalty for cruelty to animals from a Class B misdemeanor to a Class C misdemeanor. It also creates a new offense of aggravated cruelty and makes it a Class A misdemeanor.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill will depend upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resultant increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenues to local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill. Therefore, the fiscal impact cannot be readily determined, but is not estimated to be significant.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director